

MEETING MINUTES FOR

NEVADA STATE BOARD OF PSYCHOLOGICAL EXAMINERS

DATE OF MEETING: Friday, December 9, 2011

Time: 10:30 a.m.

PLACE: Office of the Attorney General, Grant Sawyer Building, 555 E. Washington Avenue,
Conference Room 4500, Las Vegas, NV 89101.
and By video conference to Office of the Attorney General, 100 N. Carson Street,
Conference Room, Carson City, NV 89701-4717

AGENDA

1. Call to order/roll call to determine the presence of a quorum.

Called to order at 10:37am

In Las Vegas:

Gary Lenkeit, Ph.D. Board President

Barbara Parry, Ph.D., Secretary/Treasurer

Michelle Carro, Ph.D., Member

In Carson City:

Betsy Neighbors, Ph.D., Member

Sheila Young, Ph.D., Member

Pat Ghezzi, Ph.D., BCBA-D, LBA, Member

Martha Mahaffey, Examination Commissioner

Daniel Gunnarson, Ph.D., Public

Hal Taylor, J.D., Representing Dr. Jeffrey Adamczak

Sarah Bradley, DAG

Morgan Alldredge, Executive Director

Iris Saltus, Executive Assistant

2. Public Comment

No public comment at this time requested.

3. Approval of minutes of previous meetings.

No discussion of minutes took place. Dr. Parry moved to approve the minutes for October 21, 2011, as submitted. Dr. Neighbors second. Board vote: 6-0-0

4. Treasurer's report.

Dr. Parry informed the Board that the audit was completed and successful. The Board continues to run on or around the elevated budget of \$10,000.00 a month. The current Balance of the Board account is \$141, 367.55. Dr. Young moved to approve the treasurer's report. Dr. Neighbors second. Board vote: 6-0-0

5. Review of complaints, disciplinary actions, and litigation pending.

- A. Complaint #09-0409: Dr. Neighbors and Ms. Bradley updated the Board on the progress of the complaint. The complainant has requested a three-psychologist panel to review the complaint. Ms. Bradley requested suggestions of psychologists to assist in this panel.
- B. Complaint #11-0210: Ms. Bradley updated the Board on the progress of the complaint.
- C. Complaint #11-0322: Dr. Young informed the Board of the nature of the complaint and recommended to forward to Ms. Bradley. Dr. Parry moved to forward the complaint to Ms. Bradley. Dr. Neighbors second. Board vote: 5-0-1. Dr. Young recused.
- D. Complaint #11-0506: Dr. Parry informed the Board of the outside review and their recommendations. Ms. Bradley stated that the Board will move to take some disciplinary action.
- E. Complaint #11-0606: Previously dismissed, but new information has been provided, warranting the reopening of the complaint. No discussion warranted at this time.
- F. Complaint #11-0811: After review, Ms. Bradley recommended dismissal on the grounds that it is not a matter that the Board can address. Dr. Parry moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-1. Dr. Lenkeit recused
- G. Complaint #11-0915: Dr. Parry stated that the complaint could have merit. Dr. Parry requested further discussion with Ms. Bradley about the complaint. Dr. Carro moved to forward the complaint to Ms. Bradley. Dr. Young second. Board vote: 4-0-2. Dr. Parry and Dr. Neighbors recused.
- H. Complaint #11-0916: Deferred. Complaint was not fully reviewed by the assigned Board member.
- I. Complaint #11-0921: After review, Dr. Parry recommended dismissal. Dr. Carro moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Young second. Board vote: 4-0-2. Dr. Parry and Dr. Neighbors recused.

- J. Complaint #11-0928: Deferred. Complaint was not fully reviewed the assigned Board member
- K. Complaint #11-1027: After review, Dr. Parry recommended dismissal. Dr. Ghezzi moved to dismiss the complaint. Dr. Carro second. Board vote: 4-0-2. Dr. Neighbors and Dr. Parry recused.

6. Update regarding complaint for Injunctive Relief filed against David Hopper in the Eighth Judicial district Court.

Discussion deferred to January meeting due to time constraints.

7. Schedule of future Board meetings, hearings, and workshops.

Discussion deferred to January meeting due to time constraints.

8. Board needs, operations, and schedules.

- A. Discussion/approval of procedure manual: Dr. Parry moved to accept the procedure manual. Dr. Carro second. Board vote: 5-0-0
- B. Discussion/assignments of Newsletter: Possible articles were discussed and assigned.
- C. Discussion of Board Office Staff: Dr. Parry moved to accept Ms. Mackie's resignation as Executive Director and reassignment to consultant at \$24.00 per hour and promote Ms. Alldredge to the Executive Director position, salaried at \$37,000 per year. Dr. Neighbors second. 6-0-0
- D. Discussion of procedure regarding cease and desist letters: There was discussion about who is able to write cease and desist letters. Further discussion deferred to January meeting due to time constraints

9. Continued discussion of ASPPB oral interview requirement to be given before the psychology State Exam.

Discussion deferred to January meeting due to time constraints.

10. Review/discussion of behavior analyst exam.

- A. Scores and question discussion of November Exam: One exam question was discussed, and the Board decided that the question was not flawed.
- B. Plans for future exams: Deferred to the January meeting due to time constraints.

11. Discussion of Supervision for Psychological Assistants in Rural Communities.

Dr. Gunnarson informed the Board that the State of Nevada Rural Clinics is having severe difficulty filling positions and is looking to find a way to make the post-doctoral supervision requirement possible for one of the psychological assistants. The Board and Dr. Gunnarson discussed several possible options. Dr. Parry moved to appoint Dr. Young to develop a work agreement that will allow services to be provided as well as to meet Board standards. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 6-0-0

12. Regulations and Policies regarding tele-therapy

Ms. Alldredge informed the Board of the increased questions regarding telephonic therapy from out-of-state practitioners. The Board stated that to provide therapy to any patient in Nevada, the psychologist must be licensed in this state. Dr. Gunnarson stated that he was interested in developing a program that can provide therapy in-state through video conference or online. The Board expressed approval for this as long as all state laws are followed. The Board discussed developing regulation regarding out-of-state telephonic therapy.

13. Discussion of possible changes to Psychology state exam.

The Board received a letter from a licensed psychologist suggesting that the exam be offered more than twice per year to increase the number of licenses in the state. Ms. Mahaffey expressed that the small size of the state and changes to the development team for the exam would prevent the Board from offering the exam more than twice per year.

14. Discussion of reactivation of Richard Landess, Ph.D.'s Nevada license.

Due to time constraints it was decided to have Dr. Lenkeit review and make the decision.

15. Review/decision upon applications.

PSYCHOLOGISTS/PSYCHOLOGICAL ASSISTANT

- A. Emon Abdolsalehi: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- B. Jeffrey Adamczak: Due to a legal matter in another jurisdiction, Mr. Hal Taylor, the lawyer representing Dr. Adamczak in this matter, requested to withdrawal the application for licensure. After discussion, Dr. Parry moved to allow the withdrawal of the application and allow Dr. Adamczak to reapply if possible. Dr. Neighbors second. Board vote: 6-0-0
- C. Craig Alexander: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.

- D. Rebecca Arvans-Feeney: Dr. Young moved to approve for state exam and temporary license contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Carro second. Board vote: 4-0-1
- E. Melissa Bailey Arizipe: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- F. Barry Barrman: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- G. Adam Batchelder: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- H. Dorothy Bernstein: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- I. Kara Bunting: Dr. Carro moved to approve for state exam contingent on completion of post-doctoral hours. Dr. Young second. Board vote: 5-0-0
- J. Janet Cahill: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- K. Donna Cook: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- L. Sonia Dhaliwal: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- M. Joe Dixon: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- N. Robyn Donaldson: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- O. Mary Beth Downing: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- P. Joshua Dwire: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- Q. Alan Flitton: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- R. Sandra Foster: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- S. Ruth Gentry: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- T. Yvonne Hart: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- U. Jennifer Highsmith: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- V. Heather Hill: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- W. Maribel Hinojosa: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- X. Sheri Hixon: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- Y. Roy Hookham: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- Z. Sethlin Hookstra: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- A. Kelly James: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- B. Marianne Kabour: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- C. Karen Kampfer: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- D. Jenifer Karmely: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- E. Michael Katrichak: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- F. Shane Kelley: Dr. Young moved to approve for state exam prior to the completion of post-doctoral hours. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
- G. David Kemppainen: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- H. Timothy Kockler: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- I. Janet Kraft: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- J. Mary Lamb: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- K. Kathrine Lee: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- L. Noelle Lefforge: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- M. Daniel Lilie: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- N. Peter Linnerooth: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- O. Brita Martiny: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- P. Michelle McGuire: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- Q. Ariana Mora: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- R. Bree Mullin: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- S. Alexandra Park: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- T. Cory Pearce: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- U. Amanda Platter: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- V. Joyce Rafidi-Tatum: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- W. Amaeli Ramos: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- X. Carol Randall: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- Y. Kristin Robinson: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- Z. Brent Ryder: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- AA. Robert Schofield: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- BB. Carrie Sheets: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- CC. Karen Sims: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- DD. Michelle Steever: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- EE. Cynthia Thorp: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- FF. Heather Tomilowitz: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- GG. Rodney Torigoe: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- HH. Gail Thompkins: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- II. Jennifer Vecchio: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- JJ. Michellane VenDivel-Mouton: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- KK. Courtney Warren: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.

BEHAVIOR ANALYST/ASSISTANT BEHAVIOR ANALYST/CABI

Dr. Ghezzi moved to extend the temporary licenses and certifications for the behavior analysts and CABIs through June. Dr. Parry second. Board vote: 5-0-0

- A. Rwida Abdel-AL: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
- B. Sara Bennett: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.

C. Effie Jane Beynon: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
D. Adilene Camarena: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
E. Stephanie Christensen: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
F. Sunni Coats: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
G. Marcy Coffey: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
H. Christine Coffman: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
I. Christopher Curler: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
J. Margret Curler: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
K. Amber Dowling: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
L. Janelle Drown: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
M. Tabitha Edwards: Dr. Carro moved to approve for state exam and temporary certification contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Parry second . 5-0-0
N. Brian Feeney: moved approved for state exam and temporary license. Dr. Young second . Board vote 5-0-0
O. Erica Frias: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
P. Amy Hanna: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
Q. Cassandra Hayden: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
R. Anne Horton: Dr. Carro moved to approve for state exam and temporary license contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Young second . Board vote: 5-0-0
S. Anne Johnson: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
T. Randi Melvin: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
U. Daylee Magnison: Dr. Parry moved to approve for state exam and temporary certification contingent on file completion and approval. Dr. Carro second . Board vote: 5-0-0
V. Ainsley McPherson: Dr. Parry moved to approve for state exam and temporary certification. Dr. Carro second . Board vote: 4-0-1
W. Christy Lee Minkema: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
X. Lauren Nauman: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
Y. Leif Nielsen: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
Z. Melissa Nosik Closure at request of applicant.
AA. Kristina M. Osborne: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
BB. Scott Page: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
CC. Katrina Persaud: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
DD. Manasi Rajadhyaksha: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
EE. Lauren Reins: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
FF. Valerie Rogers: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
GG. Robyn Roth: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0
HH. Jon Paul Saunders: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
II. Sean Saunders: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
JJ. Christina Sawtell: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
KK. Emily Skorzanka: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
LL. Sara Stratz : Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
MM. Alison Szarko: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
NN. Gayle Thompson: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
OO. Karissa Thornburgh: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
PP. Rebecca Weber: Discussion of applicant not warranted at this time.
QQ. Ashley West: Dr. Parry moved to close file. Dr. Ghezzi second. Board vote: 5-0-0

16. Discussion regarding Governor's Executive Order 2011-01, Establishing a Freeze on Proposed Regulations, and Board members evaluation of regulations and drafting report required under this Order by December 31, 2011.

Ms. Bradley suggested additions to the report. The Board expressed approval for Ms. Bradley to send additions straight to Ms. Alldredge. Dr. Parry motioned to forward the regulations with a letter with Ms. Bradley's additions to the Governor. Dr. Ghezzi second. 4-0-0

17. Correspondence

No correspondence at this time.

18. Public Comment.

No public comment at this time.

Dr. Ghezzi moved to adjourn the meeting at 12:36pm. Dr. Young second. Board vote: 5-0-0

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Parry, Ph.D.
Secretary/Treasurer